

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9295  
INFO AMEMBASSY BONN  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: OREP, AFIN, GW  
SUBJECT: PAYMENT OF PER DIEM TO CODELS/STAFFDELS

1. NUMEROUS CODELS AND STAFFDELS PASSING THROUGH THIS CONSULAR DISTRICT DO SO IN CONNECTION WITH DOD PROGRAMS, I.E. MILITARY BRIEFINGS AND BASE INSPECTIONS. THE MILITARY DEVELOPS THE PROGRAM AND PROVIDES ONE TO THREE ESCORT OFFICERS. THIS POST HAS VIRTUALLY NO CONNECTION WITH THESE VISITS OTHER THAN PAYING PER DIEM.

2. PAYMENT OF PER DIEM USUALLY INVOLVES SEVERAL HUNDRED DOLLARS IN CASH AND TAKES PLACE AT THE AIRPORT OR TRAIN STATION UNDER LESS THAN IDEAL SECURITY CONDITIONS. PAYMENT IN THIS MANNER IS INCONVENIENT TO THE TRAVELERS WHO ARE MORE INTERESTED IN THEIR NEXT APPOINTMENT OR IN GETTING SOME SLEEP THAN IN PLANESIDE CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS.

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3. BECAUSE CODELS/STAFFDELS USUALLY ARRIVE OUTSIDE NORMAL WORKING HOURS, THE PAYMENT OF FUNDS REQUIRES AN INORDINATE EXPENDITURE OF CONSULAR RESOURCES. INASMUCH AS CODELS/STAFFDELS VISIT NOT ONLY GERMANY BUT OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AS WELL, THE AMOUNT OF TIME AND EFFORT CONSUMED IN MAKING THESE PAYMENTS IS

MULTIPLIED BY THE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES VISITED.

4. RECENT CODEL ADDABBO PASSED THROUGH THIS  
CONSULAR DISTRICT ON A TYPICAL MILITARY PROGRAM. PER  
DIEM HOWEVER, WAS PAID BY DOD IN DOLLARS  
PRIOR TO THE CODEL'S DEPARTURE FROM THE UNITED STATES  
FOR THE ENTIRE PERIOD THE CODEL WAS PLANNING TO BE  
IN EUROPE. LOCAL CURRENCY CONVERSIONS WERE HANDLED  
BY THE MILITARY ESCORTS IN THE INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES.  
THIS METHOD OF PER DIEM PAYMENT WAS MORE CONVENIENT  
FOR THE CONGRESSMAN AND THEIR STAFF AND SAVED FOREIGN  
SERVICE POSTS THE EXPENSE AND EFFORT OF MAKING TEN  
SEPARATE PER DIEM PAYMENTS.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: WE HOPE THAT CODEL ADDABBO  
EXAMPLE CAN BE FOLLOWED IN THE FUTURE. RECOMMEND  
THAT THE DEPARTMENT EXPLORE WITH DOD THE ESTABLISHMENT  
OF A PROCEDURE FOR DOD PAYMENT OF PER DIEM IN THE  
UNITED STATES FOR CODELS/STAFFDELS PROCEEDING ABROAD  
ON A MILITARY PROGRAM.

6. COMMENTS FROM INFO POSTS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.BLAKE

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